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Inventor(s): WEHRUNG, et al.

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Material Transport System

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**CONTINUATION APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing as a continuation divisional application under the continuing application procedure of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)(1) is a patent application identified as follows:

Title: Distributed Control System Architecture and Method for a Material Transport System

Inventor(s): WEHRUNG, et al.

No. of Pages in Specification: 118, No. of Claims: 29.

No. of Sheets of Drawings: 50; Formal: or Informal: .

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Identification of Prior Complete Application

SC/Serial No.:09/825,619

Art Unit: 3627

Filed: May 3, 2001

Examiner: John F. Bartuska

Title: Distributed Control System Architecture and method for a Material Transport System

Inventor(s): Wehrung, et al.

Delete the Following Inventor(s) for This Application: (none)

Declaration

A copy of the Declaration (signed by all inventors) from the Prior Complete Application is submitted herewith.

Amendments

Please CANCEL in this application original claims 2 through 29 of the prior complete application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.) However, if this instruction results in cancellation of all original claims, please instead retain the lowest numbered original claim.

Please AMEND the specification by inserting before the first line of the application: "This application is a continuation of Serial No. 09/825,619, filed April 3, 2001."

A preliminary amendment is enclosed. Please enter the preliminary amendment before calculating the application filing fee. (Claims added must be consecutively numbered beginning with next number after highest number in prior complete application.)

Petition for Extension of Time to Respond

No extension of time is required for the prior complete application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), enclosed is a petition for an extension of time for the prior complete application, up to and including today, for responding to the Office action together with the fee set by 37 C.F.R. §1.17.

Power of Attorney

A power of attorney appears in the prior complete application.

A new power of attorney is submitted herewith.

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Assignment

- The prior application is assigned of record to: Asyst Technologies, Inc.
- An assignment of the invention to: _____ is submitted herewith, together with an ASSIGNMENT RECORDATION FORM COVER SHEET and recordal fee of \$40.00.

Claim of Priority

- Priority of foreign application Serial No. _____, filed on _____, in _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §1.119.
- The certified copy was filed in prior U.S. application Serial No. _____, filed _____.

Small Entity Statement

- Statement(s) claiming small entity status is (are) submitted herewith.
- Statement(s) claiming small entity status was (were) filed in the parent application Serial No. _____, on _____ and its benefit under 37 C.F.R. §1.28(a) is hereby claimed.

Also Enclosed Are:

- An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

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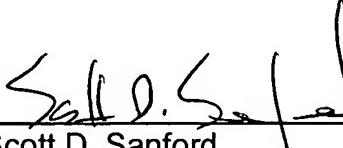
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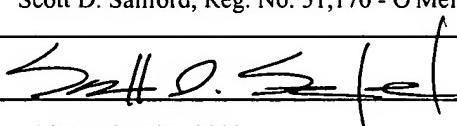
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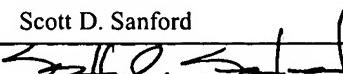
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